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46TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2003

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A JOINT MEMORIAL
REQUESTING THE PUBLIC REGULATION COMMISSION TO ADOPT RULES
PROVIDING FOR NET METERING.

WHEREAS, the United States is at war with international
terrorists partly as a result of our nation's dependence on
foreign oil; and

WHEREAS, our dependence on foreign sources for our energy
puts us at the mercy of uncontrollable political events in
foreign lands; and

WHEREAS, electric power generation exacts a high cost on
our environment and on natural ecosystems throughout the world;
and

WHEREAS, tremendously detrimental economic consequences
may result from the environmental effects of power generation
derived from fossil fuel; and

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1 WHEREAS, solar, wind and other renewable energy options
2 are now available and economically feasible; and

3 WHEREAS, net metering allows utility customers to generate
4 their own electricity through alternative energy generation
5 systems and to sell the excess energy produced back to their
6 utility providers; and

7 WHEREAS, in states with net metering, when a utility
8 customer produces excess energy during a billing period, the
9 utility provider credits the customer for any provider-
10 generated unused electricity; and

11 WHEREAS, the utility customer can "bank" that extra
12 electricity for twelve months, using that amount at a later
13 date, and the utility provider pays the customer for any
14 remaining unused credit; and

15 WHEREAS, the New Mexico public regulation commission
16 adopted a net-metering rule in September 1999 that provides for
17 buyback of electric power up to ten kilowatts;

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE
19 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the public regulation commission be
20 requested to amend the net-metering rule to increase the amount
21 of energy that shall be repurchased by a utility provider from
22 a utility customer from ten kilowatts to one hundred kilowatts;
23 and

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
25 transmitted to members of the public regulation commission.

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